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WASHINGTON LETTER.

The Last Fortnight of the "Gay Season" at the Capitol this Year the Saddest Instead of the Gayest.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5, 1890. On I street, south of beautiful Farragut Square, stand the tottering walls of the handsome house, which was so recently the happy home of Secretary Tracy. Before this grim and blackened mass, all flocked in to-day's glorious sunshine, has surged a sobered and saddened crowd, and with hearts that beat more slowly every eye is turned to the glassless window in the second story, as some voice says: "From that window the Secretary's oldest daughter and her little girl jumped; from that lower door was borne the almost lifeless body of the Secretary; and here upon the parking, the firemen placed the charred and dead bodies of Miss Tracy and her French maid." The recital of this tragic horror shocked me, and like one dazed, I turned away.

In the grand old east room of the White House, through the tightly drawn blinds of which filters the sunshine filling the room with its mellow, subdued light, stand the simple, black-covered coffins in which lay the forms of the victims of this cruel fire—the Secretary's wife and daughter—the mother killed by a fall from a window while endeavoring to save herself from burning, the daughter suffocated by the smoke in her effort to reach the room in which slept her parents. The Secretary himself was taken from the burning mass in an almost dying condition by Chief Parrish, of the fire department. To this heroic man Mr. Tracy owes his life.

Soon after coming to Washington the Secretary purchased the residence of ex-Postmaster General Dickenson, but finding it not large enough to meet the requirements of his hospitable ideas, he had a large addition made to it. He and Mrs. Tracy took so much pleasure and pride in the furnishings and appointments of this their new home, and everywhere were evidences of their good taste and refinement. They moved in and got settled just in time for the New Year reception.

Miss Tracy was a beautiful young girl, splendidly educated, and possessing a wonderful fondness and talent for painting. She had spent several years in Europe studying under the best masters. In the bird story front room, which was to have been her own apartment when completed, stood a little white enameled bedstead, upon the headboard of which she had designed festoons of poppies tied with true *laurel wreath* by *laurel leaves*, brushes and palette, just as she had left them, no doubt reluctantly, when she stopped work, perhaps Saturday, and impatiently awaited the coming of Monday when she might begin again. Strange the flames that so marred the beauty of her body should have spared this little wooden thing upon which she had lavished so much care and skill.

Secretary Blaine's house is again the scene of mourning. Alice, his eldest daughter, the wife of Colonel Coppering of the army, who was just recovering from an aggravated attack of "la grippe" was summoned to the bedside of her dying brother. From the shock of his death and the exertion of traveling, she suffered a relapse from which she had not sufficient physical force to rally. She was a devout Catholic, and her funeral took place from St. Matthew's Church.

Father Sherman, son of Wm. T. Sherman, and a cousin of the Blaines', officiated at the requiem mass, at the conclusion of which Cardinal Gibbons advanced to the altar rail and blessed the dead. She was buried at Oak Hill, in the same lot as that in which Walker Blaine lies. She leaves two fair-haired, bright eyed little boys motherless. The shadow is there, "She hath the better part."

It is just seven years since her marriage with Lieutenant Coppering was celebrated with such splendor in her father's magnificent home on Dupont Circle, now occupied by Chicago's millionaire dry goods prince, Mr. Leiter.

These deaths in two Cabinet families will put a stop to all festivities in official society. Only a fortnight of the gay season remains, and instead of being, as usual, the gayest, it will be the very saddest.

Already the superintendents begin to say only bad luck attends the occupants of the old-fashioned red house on La Fayette Square, occupied by Mr. Blaine and which he has fitted up and made habitable at such an enormous expense. It is large and airy, and admirably suited to the taste of the Secretary of State. It is within a stone's throw of the White House and a convenient walk to the State Department. It was in this same house the attempt upon Secretary Seward's life was made. It was afterwards used as a club house and from its doors issued Barton Key on the afternoon he met his death at the hands of General Siskins. After being shot he was removed from the side walk where he fell, to his rooms in this house, and there died. It was after standing vacant for some time that the Government rented it for offices for the Quartermaster General's Department. For several years previous to its being leased by Secretary Blaine, it had been tenanted, bearing upon its big front door a placard with the legend "for rent" upon it.

DONOTHY DEXTER.

A BIG GENTILE VICTORY.

THE SALT LAKE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS PASSED OFF VERY QUIETLY YESTERDAY.

The Liberals Claim the City by 1,200 Majority—The Mormons Concede it by 400.

The Mormons Running Behind.

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SALT LAKE, Feb. 10.—A light snow which fell last night put the streets in a very disagreeable condition to-day, though the sun is now shining brightly. Business in many portions of the city is entirely suspended. Up to 10 o'clock a very heavy vote had been polled, especially by the Mormons. Returns up to this hour, from sixteen precincts in four wards, give a total vote of 2,111, divided as follows: Gentiles, 965; Mormons, 1,146.

In the 50th and 40th precincts it is estimated that 50 per cent. of the registration had been voted by 10 o'clock.

As yet only two arrests have been made for attempted illegal voting—one Mormon and one Gentile. Everything is quiet and no serious trouble is anticipated.

At 12 o'clock returns received at Liberal headquarters from 22 wards give a total vote of 4,663—Gentiles, 2,385; Mormons, 2,278, a Liberal increase since 10 o'clock of 317.

The Gentiles now claim they will carry the city by 1,400. It is estimated that the Mormons have polled 87 per cent. of their strength, and the Gentiles 60 per cent. of theirs.

Mormons vs. Gentiles.

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SALT LAKE, Feb. 10.—The municipal election which has resulted in attracting the universal attention of the entire country passed off quietly to-day contrary to expectation. The city has been crowded for days with special police detectives and Deputy United States Marshals for the purpose of preventing illegal voting, which each party claimed the other would resort to. It was anticipated that an attempt to challenge and arrest some voters would create trouble which would result in riot and bloodshed. This, however, was not realized, though the excitement was so intense that half of the business houses closed, and the patrolled streets and thoroughfares are jammed with excited citizens who realize that upon to-day's battle depends the future of the Mormon church as a political organization. Only six arrests have been made for attempting to vote illegally, and these were made without any demonstration.

Snow began falling early this morning and continued until noon, when the sun came out, melting the snow and turning the streets into rivers of slush. This did not deter voters, many of whom waded through mud to polling places, while hundreds of carriages conveyed voters to and from the polls. The polls closed at 6 o'clock and the Liberal leaders posted bulletins in the windows of their headquarters claiming a majority of 1,200. The news soon spread, and the Gentiles took possession of the city. Every Gentile building was decorated with flags and lanterns, and fireworks were sent up from hundreds of house-tops. Cannons boomed and bonfires blazed on every corner. Hundreds of men in line paraded the streets with drums and torches, howling like wild men over their victory. No such scene was ever witnessed in Utah before. The Mormons remain in doors and have nothing to say on the result except that the election was carried by fraud and that they will surely contest it. They admit defeat but claim the majority will not exceed 400.

At 10 o'clock the crowds upon the streets became so great that the street cars were compelled to stop running and all traffic is suspended. The excitement is increasing and the celebration will doubtless continue until morning. Notwithstanding the great excitement spirit of good nature prevails. The saloons are all closed and not a single drunken man is seen on the streets.

Will be All Right Next Time.

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CINCINNATI, O., Feb. 10.—The beautiful residence of Senator Brice, at Lima, is being remodeled and improved. The alterations to be made will entail an outlay of a large sum of money. The fact that the Senator is now putting his house in order is taken as an indication that he intends for the future to spend more time in Ohio than he has done heretofore.

He will be here so frequently and remain so long with his constituents that his friends declare there will at the next election be no doubt as to where his legal residence is located. His vast business enterprises will of course call him frequently to New York, but when the Senate is not in session those who may want to find Brice will have to come to Ohio for him.

The Best Way to Get Rid of Them.

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TAOS, N. M., Feb. 10.—Ah Gee, the young Chinaman who killed Kam Gook on the 27th of last November, was sentenced to-day to be hanged on March 28th.

The New Minister to Russia.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—The President has nominated Charles Emory Smith, of Philadelphia, as Minister to Russia.

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The Fifty-first Congress deserves the gratitude of the country for destroying the occupation of the filibuster.

THE WILD WEST SHOW.

Amount of Its Receipts During the Paris Exposition.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—An agent of the syndicate of American capitalists which furnished the money to bring Buffalo Bill's Wild show to Europe has been here on his way home with copies of the book of their receipts in Paris during the exhibition.

He says that the show took in 3,000,000 francs, or about \$720,000. According to the contract between Buffalo Bill and the syndicate the latter was entitled to 90 per cent. of the gross receipts, which would make their share exceed \$200,000. Senator John P. Jones is a member of the syndicate.

A Large Cigarette Trust.

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NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—The Cigarette Trust, which has already been outlined, has at last been organized. Lewis Ginter, J. B. Duke, Frank S. Kinney, W. S. Kimball and Charles G. Emory, the leading manufacturers of cigarettes, have filed articles of incorporation of the American Tobacco Company, at Trenton, N. J. The company will manufacture tobacco in all its forms and establish foreign depots. The capital stock is \$25,000,000, divided into \$10,000,000 of preferred and \$15,000,000 of common stock. The owners of the respective plants will supervise them as before. By organizing the company the promoters of the enterprise hope to escape the name of trust. The principal office will be in Newark.

A Murderous Clergyman.

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LAFAYETTE, Ind., Feb. 10.—The Grand Jury returned an indictment to-day against Mrs. Eliza Whitehead and Rev. A. E. Pettit, charging them with the murder of Pettit's wife, who died July 17th last of strichine poison. Pettit has been in jail some time. He is a prominent Methodist minister and Grand Prelate of the Indiana Knights Templar. Mrs. Whitehead is a well-to-do widow.

REPRESENTATIVE SYMES SPEAKS IN FAVOR OF THE FREE COINAGE OF SILVER.

What is Being Done by Congress—Death of Associate Justice Preston, of Hawaii.

House Proceedings.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—The House Committee on Indian Affairs, to-day took up the Senate joint resolution authorizing the removal of the Apache Indians, now prisoners at Marion barracks, Alabama, to Fort Sill reservation, Indian Territory. Lieutenant Lawton, W. H. H. Llewellyn, of New Mexico; Brewster Cameron and Delegate Smith, of Arizona, protested earnestly against the removal of the Apaches to any point west of the Mississippi.

Representative Symes (colored), made an argument before the House Committee on Coinage, Weights and Measures to-day in favor of the free coinage of silver. He opposed the Windom bill.

The Senate.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—After Blair had spoken two hours on the educational bill it went over until to-morrow and the Vice President laid before the Senate a message from the President on the subject of the recent negotiations with the Sioux Indians recommending an immediate appropriation to carry out the recommendations of the commission. Referred.

A number of public building bills was taken from the calendar and passed. The Senate then went into executive session.

The Senate confirmed Jacob M. Cope as Postmaster at Phoenix, Arizona. Adjourned.

The Immediate Appropriations Necessary.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—In a letter transmitted to Congress to-day by the President with the report of the Sioux Commissioner, the Secretary of the Interior submitted the draft of a bill embodying the recommendations of the Commissioner requiring legislation or an appropriations necessary to carry into effect the provisions of the Act. The President says it should be promptly made and be immediately available. The bill provides for the following appropriations: For 10,000 cows and 400 bulls, \$300,000; for milch cows, oxen, harness, farming implements, houses (50 each) and for Indians taking an allotment, \$380,000; for day schools, teachers and furniture, with provisions for the compulsory attendance of children, \$50,000; for 30 school buildings, \$30,000; for one year's interest on \$3,000,000, \$100,000; to pay for ponies taken by the military, \$200,000; to pay Crow Creek Indians for deficiencies in allotment, \$187,099; for extra beef rations, \$100,000; to purchase lands for Sanles Sioux, \$32,000.

Charged With Murder.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 10.—An inquest was held to-day in the case of Samuel W. Garness, who was shot and killed by D. H. Arnold, a Colusa capitalist, on Market street, January 30th. The jury returned a verdict charging Arnold with murder.

The Sioux Reservation Opened.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—The President has signed a proclamation opening the Sioux Reservation, in South Dakota.

RENO'S \$75,000 BUILDING.

VIRGINIA CITY ALSO TO GET A SLICE OF THE NATIONAL SURPLUS.

Charles Emory Smith Appointed Minister to Russia—The Sioux Reservation Opened.

Insane Through Fear.

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NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—Angry billows and fearful weather, in which the ship was in constant danger, so terrified Miss Charli Weinstein that her mind became unstrung. She was a steerage passenger on the steamer Wisconsin, which arrived from Liverpool yesterday morning. She is 22 years old, a handsome Hebrew girl of slight build.

Her insanity took a violent form and last Friday night, while the steamer lay at quarantine, she eluded her watchers and stealthily approached the stewardess, Jane Johnson, who was sleeping in a chair near the girl's berth. With a heavy bed-mat she struck the sleeping stewardess a blow that stunned her. As she was about to strike again the girl was seized by two of her watchers, who, after a hard struggle, wrested the mat from her. She fought desperately, and would have got away but for the help of some of the immigrants.

It was found necessary to put her in a straight jacket. When she landed at Castle Garden, she was sent to Ward's Island.

The physicians say she is hopelessly insane. She has a brother living at No. 36, Springfield, Mass., who has been sent for.

His Reward Never Came.

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NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—Frederick G. Hubbard, formerly a real estate dealer, and for twenty-one years employed in the Public Stores, shot himself in the region of the heart early on Sunday morning and died last night.

Mr. Hubbard was one of the first to lose his head under the Cleveland regime. He worked hard in Harlem during the last Presidential election, and was promised his old position back again as soon as President Harrison took his seat. Failing to secure it, Mr. Hubbard opened a small real estate office, but the business failed steadily and he grew despondent.

On Saturday evening he went home much depressed. At five o'clock the next morning his daughter heard a report, and entering his father's room found him lying across the bed with the blood pouring from a little hole near his heart. Near him lay a small revolver.

Blockade Raised.

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PORTELAND, Feb. 10.—The Union Pacific lines which have been blockaded between this city and the Dalles by slides, were opened this afternoon. "We are rapidly repairing the road, and, in a few days, trains can reach Roseburg from here. A large force of men, in charge of Assistant Superintendent Pratt, of San Francisco, have just reached Ashland, having cleared the road through the Siskiyous. They will come north until they meet our force which is working southward between Ashland and Grants Pass."

Reducing the Surplus.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Bills making appropriations for public buildings were reported in the Senate to-day and placed on the calendar as follows: Oakland, Cal., \$300,000; Cheyenne, Wyo., \$150,000; Helena, Mont., \$150,000; Salt Lake City, Utah, \$500,000; Stockton, Cal., \$95,000; Mammoth Hot Springs, Yellowstone National Park, \$10,000; Portland, Or., \$500,000; Virginia City, Nev., \$75,000; Hastings, Neb., \$150,000; Dallas, Or., \$100,000; Salem, Or., \$400,000; Reno, Nev., \$75,000; San Diego, Cal., \$300,000.

Again Vote Against Revision.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 10.—The vote on the question of the revision of confession of faith which was taken by the Presbyterians of San Francisco last October, and which resulted against revision, was reconsidered by the Presbyteries to-day at the request of a number of members who thought they had not had sufficient opportunity to discuss the subject. The ballot to-day again resulted against revision, the vote being 27 to 22. All members of the Presbyteries who are professors in the Theological Seminary voted against the revision.

Seventieth Anniversary.

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NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—General William Tecumseh Sherman celebrated the seventieth anniversary of his birthday last Saturday evening at his home by entertaining at dinner his brother the Senator and a number of friends, among whom was Chauncey Depew, General Wagner Swayne, Joseph H. Choate and Colonel Wilson, Superintendent of West Point.

Death of a Supreme Judge of Hawaii.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 10.—Advices from Honolulu by a sailing vessel announce the death of Hon. Edward Preston, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Hawaii.

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